

Alexander School Board Meeting  
October 13, 2020  
7:00 p.m.

Members present: Lashell Tjelde, Darcy Delaney, Cameron Wahlstrom, Chris Cloud, Chris Link, Superintendent Bieber, Principal Faller, Asst. Principal Allard Barb Fixen attended via zoom.

President Tjelde called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Link moved to approve the agenda with one addition, Athletic Contract, Cloud seconded all voting aye motion carried.

Wahlstrom moved to approve the consent agenda for Hot Lunch and Activities accounts only Link seconded all voting aye motion carried.

Link moved to approve the minutes after making changes Wahlstrom seconded all voting aye motion carried.

Link move to approve October board bills, Delaney seconded all voting aye motion carried.

Faller reported:

- Enrollment is at 273 prek-12
- Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up. Conferences will be conducted via zoom or google meet.
- We have made seating charts in all classrooms and made sure seats are 6 feet apart.
- Treated the staff to root beer floats on Monday.
- 39% of our students have had to quarantine this quarter and when doing so have done their work via google classroom.
- We hosted Gerry Brooks on September 25, his humor and sincerity were a welcomed relief we also invited Trenton and East Fairview staff members to attend.

Allard reported:

- Mr. Allard updated the number of students who are distance learning at this time.
- We had several teachers who had to do some distance teaching and did a great job with their classes.
- Mr. Allard runs a report on attendance and tardies weekly he is in contact with parents whose children have missed an excessive amount of days. Students receiving multiple tardies are required to spend some time in detention.
- Have been working on distance education assessments with parents and students.

AD Report:

They will not be holding tournaments for regional volleyball; however, the district with the higher seed will host the match. Wrestling may be questionable for us this year due to COVID however; AD Jacobson will report more information closer to the season.

CTE: continuing to try to find more distance education classes and volunteers like mechanics, EMT, non-college courses.

Superintendent Bieber reported:

- We cleared the fire inspection.
- A quarantine update was given and we have many staff and students back in school. We have students that are doing school in the modular under supervision and breakfast and lunches are being delivered to those students.
- Each classroom has their own hallway to congregate in we are trying to keep students separated and using social distancing.
- The annual convention will be held the last week in October there will be 1 ½ hour sessions each day.
- The Policy Handbooks is in google docs.
- Mrs. Gowing does not have her librarian license. Superintendent Bieber is hoping to have this compliant by January.
- FLL had two video presentations for the board.

Industrial Arts building has a scheduled punch list for October 26.

Chad Simonson was here with an update on the football field, EAPC provided a breakdown of costs after much discussion Wahlstrom moved to use EAPC for football field, and Delaney seconded all voting aye motion carried.

The second reading of the following policies:

- ACBD—School Medications (changes)
- BCAA—Board Meeting Agenda & Premeeting Preparations (no changes)

Link moved to approve policies with necessary changes, Cloud seconded all voting aye motion carried.

The final pages of the Superintendent Evaluation were reviewed.

Wahlstrom moved to approve to pay down debt \$ 454, 485.29 with Bank of North Dakota on additional funds that we received from Bankhead Jones earlier this summer, Delaney seconded motion carried.

The Health and Safety plan was discussed at length. Superintendent Bieber is going to get some legal counsel questions answered before moving forward with suggestions from board on quarantine and close contact issues. Superintendent Bieber suggested doing away with temperature checks as they have not helped with anything yet, Wahlstrom moved to approve the discontinuation of temperature checks, Link seconded all voting aye, motion carried.

The SRO Contract was discussed it was agreed that we limit her hours to 20 hours per week.

We have received an additional \$ 86257.00 in Care Dollars that must be used by the end of December. Funds are to be for additional staff that have been hired for COVID. Superintendent Bieber would like to hire Sarah Rosco as a filler until the end of December. She will fill any holes in any department where needed. Wahlstrom moved to approve the hire of Sarah Rosco through December, Cloud seconded all voting aye motion carried.

The Strategic Plan was tabled.

Bond Bids have been postponed for sale until after the election.

Upland provided a quote on an air handler system it is supposed to help clean the air system in the school and help with allergies and airborne viruses. Link moved to purchase two air handlers at a cost of \$2400 and Wahlstrom seconded all those voting aye motion carried.

The Athletic Contracts were discussed in case of the possibility of cancelled seasons. Coaches will be paid 30% of a cancelled season or portion of a season. Link moved to approve the athletic contract at 30% pay cancellation and prorated if part of season is completed, Wahlstrom seconded motion carried.

President Tjelde adjourned the meeting at 10:35 p.m.

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President, Lashell Tjelde

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Business Manager, Barbara Fixen